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**Briefing Note for the DDI on the
Economic Intelligence Statistical Handbook**

This publication provides comprehensive statistics on Communist economies and, in addition, also presents a great deal of data on the NATO countries and on India and Japan. This is the only publication of its kind in Washington and it is clear from the number of complimentary notes we have received in past years that it is regarded as a most valuable reference work on foreign economic statistics. (Attached is a note received by the Director from the Vice President last year.) The Handbook is given special dissemination to the attached list of recipients. Aside from the addition of detailed information on individual East European and NATO countries (pages 38 and 30 respectively) and statistics on Soviet indebtedness to Western nations (page 13), the report is almost identical in coverage to the 1966 Handbook.

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